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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 3/31/09 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argues on page 10 that Berner et al. does not teach rotatable molecular components because they do not show any 3 dimensional changes. The examiner maintains this rejection because as applicant admits in the arguments the molecules of Berner et al. form two types of two-dimensional structures; ordered and disordered. The switch between these two states is considered rotating between two states, making these molecules rotatable.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JOSEPH HALEY whose telephone number is (571)272-0574. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30am-5pm.

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